

DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

The reply filed on 01/30/2009 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because: it adds new claims, despite the fact that prosecution is closed.

The amendment has not been entered.

Unless applicant corrects the deficiency, the Examiner will cancel the dependent claims and the application will be allowed with claims 12-20.

A fully responsive reply must be timely filed to avoid cancellation of dependent claims 6-7.

NO EXTENSIONS OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) WILL BE GRANTED.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Julie Anne Watko whose telephone number is (571) 272-7597. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon & Fri, 9:30AM to 7:30PM, Tues-Thurs after 5PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Andrea L. Wellington can be reached on (571) 272-4483. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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